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Dear Sir:

RE: Date of Mailing of Notice of Allowance: September 27, 2004  
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Inventor: Arthur W. Lauder  
Title: ROD COUPLING  
Art unit: 3677  
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In response to the notice of allowability dated September 27, 2004, applicant encloses herewith credit card payment form PTO-2038 for \$ 965 for the issue fee as a small entity, the publication fee and a fee transmittal form.

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